

Women

Club News Society News

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New Officers Presented at Sobadas Gala Dinner-Dance

"Clicking along for the new committee" was key-noted by miniature castanets set at each place of the Sobadas tables in the Sunrise room of the Pacific Coast club in Long Beach last Saturday evening. During the 8 p.m. dinner in a setting overlooking the harbor, the new officers for the coming year were introduced to members and guests.

Introduced as new chairmen were Swayne and Laddie Johnson, and couple in charge of the treasury will be Vern and Ann Lovelady. Bernie and Frances Lee were introduced as the new secretaries. Short speeches of appreciation for the cooperation they received during the past year were given by Gil Derouin, Frank Farrell, and Frank Cavanagh.

A cocktail hour preceded the multi-course prime rib dinner, following which Sobadas members and their guests danced to the rhythms of Larry Anderson's orchestra. Included among the guests were Rachael and L. C. McIntyre, and Noreen and Louie Derouin. Plans are now being formulated by the new group for the Sobadas' July dance, the last party until the club reconvenes in September.

Couple to Fill Co-op Offices

Couple instead of individuals will fill the offices of the Torrance Cooperative Parent Nursery School, and election of the officers was held during a potluck dinner meeting of the parent education class held Monday evening.

Those named to office are Messrs. and Mmes. Lloyd Money, president; Edward Dahlen, vice-president; Galen Truesdell, secretary; and Rodney Mills, treasurer.

Chairmen appointed are Messrs. and Mmes. Duane Crowley, membership; Kenneth Boulter, parent education; Henry Morgan, ways and means; Herb Bramson, purchasing; Rundell Shneider, scheduling; Forest Wright, fathers work; Ed Bigelow, area representative; Earl Moore, coffee; and Dr. and Mrs. Norman Hoffman, publicity.

A gift was presented to Mrs. Virginia Foyle who had previously announced her resignation as director of the Nursery school.

A joint meeting of both old and new executive boards will be held at the Money residence, 226 Camino de las Colinas, June 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Graduation exercises were held Thursday morning, June 16, for children of the Torrance Co-op Parent Nursery School who will be entering kindergarten in the fall. Those honored were Donna McLean, Meredith Money, Mike Belzer, Ben O'Brien, and Craig West. The children enjoyed watching themselves in the motion picture, "He Who Dares to Teach," which was filmed at the school. A picnic followed at Lomita Park.

Parents desiring information about the nursery school should contact Mrs. Duane Crowley, 22803 Kathryn Ave.

'Moon is Blue' Slated by Hampden Players

"The Moon Is Blue," well known play by F. Hugh Herbert, will be the next presentation of the Hampton Players on the two weekends of July 8-9 and July 15-16, in the Redondo high school auditorium.

Thelma Ledwidge, a long-time member of the Hampton group, is directing the play, which will feature Dave Riehl as "Donald Gresham," Mary Jo Pecora as "Patty O'Neill," Jim Reeves as "David Slater," and Carl Rogers as the father of "Patty."

Fashion and Home Decor over 35-year Period Featured in 'The Fourposter'

1910



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1890



AT LEFT, Mrs. Castle, feminine lead in ACCENT! Theatre's "Fourposter," is wearing what was fashionable as nightwear in 1910 . . . a voluminous peignoir, and the slumber helmet, which was the "latest thing."

CENTER is a black silk ball game, also vintage 1910. It will be worn in the play with long gloves, elaborate feather headpiece, and a cape of plush and ostrich plumes.

FOR the wedding in 1890, the "bust and bustle" era, Mrs. Castle will appear in this authentic white satin wedding gown. Mrs. H. F. Heinlein made most of the costumes for the play, with the aid of Mrs. Robert Foss. Hairstyles will be the creations of Mrs. Ben Roberts.

—Seeman Photo

JayCettes to Hold Fashion Show Friday

The JayCettes of Torrance will hold a fashion show on Friday, June 24, at 8 p.m., at the Bettie Thomas Studios, 1215 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance.

Current summer fashions will be modeled by members of the JayCettes, and the clothes will be from the "Sport Shop" in Torrance. The show will be open to the public, donation to be made at the door. Refreshments will be served, following the show.

Mrs. John D'Ornellas is chairman of the fashion show; with JayCettes members acting as models including Mmes. Ed Karlow, Gordon Jones, Howard Percy, Fred Hansen, Charles Herren, Dale Stanton, William Sturgis, Douglas Horlander, and Jack Smith.

Those interested in attending may call Mrs. John D'Ornellas at FA. 8-6367 for information.

Traditional Dinner Held At Leland St.

The A6 graduating class at Leland street school recently held its traditional chicken dinner, which is served by the P.T.A. every semester.

Each year through Dale Leever, supervisor of agriculture for L. A. schools, the Sears-Roebuck Foundation gives the chicks to the A6 class as part of the agriculture program. The youngsters raise the chickens from infancy, watching them grow, with the realization that they will be used for the dinner.

Special guests for the dinner included Mr. Leever, Harry Sams, principal, Elbert Backus and Ellen Cullen, teachers of the class. Spokesman for the class was Billy Sims, class president, who thanked the P.T.A. for the dinner in an impromptu after-dinner speech. This was echoed enthusiastically by the 63 other members of the class.

Following the dinner, games and dancing followed in the auditorium, under the direction of Mrs. Martin Slavich. Table decorations were done by Mmes. Charles Short, art chairman; and Thomas Mardesch, flower chairman. Other P.T.A. workers who helped make the dinner a success include Mmes. Scott, Rosario Giacalone, J. A. Johnson, Donald Ault, Clifford Rinehart, John Vidnes, Harold Foat, Harry Foat, Jr., Cyrus Syastelien, Ted Lucich, Margaret Jenkins, Douglas Brazell, Mitchell Gusha, Darrell Dudley and J. R. Gargan.

ACCENT: Theatre! TO PRESENT SECOND PLAY

A veritable review of fashions as well as interior design over a period of thirty-five years, will be presented in the costumes and settings for "The Fourposter," three-act comedy of ACCENT! Theatre! to be presented in the Torrance Woman's Club, 1422 Engracia, tomorrow, Saturday, and Sunday evenings.

To insure authentic fashions and sets for the period of the play, 1890 to 1925, diligent research work has been done by Mrs. W. C. Boswell, property co-ordinator; Mrs. Paul Harestad, set designer; Frank Kelley, technical director; and Mesdames H. F. Heinlein and Robert Foss, costume designers.

1890 Wedding
The play begins on the wedding night of a couple in 1890, when the Victorian era was in its flower. An appropriate wedding gown and dress suit will be worn respectively by the wife, to be played by Patricia Cantle, and the husband, portrayed by Von Hershey. The background for them—and for the ever-present four-poster—will be an old-fashioned bedroom done in muted tones of gray and gold, with white accents.

Wallpaper and paint for the production have been donated by Mrs. Mary Pagac, while the La Tienda Antique Shop is supplying valuable furnishings. Mrs. Jack Klinzing is in charge of furniture and decor, while Dick Roberts, W. C. Boswell, Paul Harestad, and Kelley have been chiefly responsible for construction.

"When any era ends, its architecture and interior design pass through a flamboyant period, which is sort of an unhealthy late blooming. The honesty and originality of the decor are gone, and they are replaced with superficial flamboyance," Kelley commented, in reference particularly to the set for the

second act, which is typical of the opulent late years of the Victorian age. Silks, satins, and heavy fringe are to be used, in garnet and pink, gold and black. A medallion wallpaper in a rich pattern will replace the softer one of the first scenes.

To Wear Heirloom Cape
Mrs. Cantle will appear in a black bengaline ball gown, bedecked with rhinestones and lace, and black ostrich plumes. Her cape was once the possession of the well-known Bixby family of Long Beach. The costume was taken from an illustration in an early Stephen Vincent Benet novel, even down to the full train in keeping faithful to the style.

A slumber helmet is the unique costume touch in the second scene of the second act, worn with peignoir of blue and white in contrast to the decor of lilac and green hangings.

Hobble Skirt Fashion
In 1913 the "hobblekirt" was the height of fashion, and Mrs. Cantle's is a rich brown, matching a huge plush hat. For the 1925 sequence, she will support a low-waisted ensemble, complete with wrap-around cloak, clutch bag, and long cloak.

Mrs. Heinlein and Mrs. Foss made all the costumes for "The Fourposter," a task which has involved much shopping in Good Will stores and costume houses. "We eventually ended up making even the smallest accessories," Mrs. Foss said.

Consequently, the ACCENT!

New Brownies Organized At Harbor City
A newly organized Brownie Troop, sponsored by the Harbor City P.T.A. is meeting each Monday afternoon in the school cafeteria. The girls are preparing for their investiture program and getting acquainted with one another and their leaders, Mrs. James Triffon and Mrs. Don Furu.

A mothers' meeting was held Wednesday, June 1, to discuss the troop's forthcoming activities. Suggestions were made on craftwork, places to go of interest, and other projects.

New Brownies are to be Patricia Bradshaw, Roberta Ellsworth, Linda Imel, Takako Kimura, Gerry Cook, Linda O'Donnell, Pamela Rooney, Karen Rutjes, Antoinette Soady, Sheila Stango, Deborah Thacker, Catherine Griffin, Sylvia Furu and Kathleen Triffon.

Students Visit State Capitol
Miss Donna Pat Wolf, political science major at the Santa Barbara campus of University of California, and daughter of the Don B. Wolfs of 21304 Halldale avenue, Torrance, spent three days at the Sacramento state capitol as a representative of the University.

Donna Pat and the others of the student group attended the chamber of the assembly, lunched with state officials, and had their names read in both the assembly and the senate, receiving the privileges of the floor. During the three days they also met the Secretary of State, visited the Governor's office, and attended the ways and means committee.

Garden Club Committee Appointed

The nominating committee for the election of officers in July was named at the June 17 meeting of the Lomita Fuchsia and Garden Club.

Named on the committee were Mmes. Kermit Gluth, Bruce Bain, John Slaughter, Carl Stiles, and Joseph Gilpin.

Dr. C. B. Houghton spoke on gardening in general, and answered many questions. Door prizes went to Mmes. Lew Husted and Bert Gilhausen, and member prizes to Mmes. Ed Shurgot and M. Silketch.

Guests included Mrs. Houghton, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Brundage, Mrs. Gilhausen, and Mrs. Husted who is visiting from Colorado.

The next regular meeting will be July 15, and the board will meet on July 13 at the home of Mrs. Thomas Rossbottom.

Cousin Visits

Mrs. Douglas Brazell, president of the Leland street school P.T.A., has been entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Margaret Jenkins, from San Antonio, Texas. Mrs. Jenkins, a houseguest of the Brazells for ten days, participated in several P.T.A. activities while here, including the A6 chicken dinner, the June breakfast, and other meetings.

She left this week for San Francisco and Salt Lake City en route home, where she is employed by the First National Bank.

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